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# S. 570

To amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 with respect to the qualifications of foreign schools.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 6, 2003

Mr. ENSIGN (for himself, Mr. ALLARD and Mr. ALLEN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

### 3   **SECTION 1. FOREIGN SCHOOL ELIGIBILITY.**

4       (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 102(a)(2)(A) of the High-  
5       er Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1002(a)(2)(A)) is  
6       amended to read as follows:

7               “(A) IN GENERAL.—For the purpose of  
8               qualifying as an institution under paragraph  
9               (1)(C), the Secretary shall establish criteria by  
10              regulation for the approval of institutions out-

side the United States and for the determination that such institutions are comparable to an institution of higher education as defined in section 101 (except that a graduate medical school, or a veterinary school, located outside the United States shall not be required to meet the requirements of section 101(a)(4)). Such criteria shall include a requirement that a student attending such school outside the United States is ineligible for loans made, insured, or guaranteed under part B of title IV unless—

“(i) in the case of a graduate medical school located outside the United States—

“(I)(aa) at least 60 percent of those enrolled in, and at least 60 percent of the graduates of, the graduate medical school outside the United States were not persons described in section 484(a)(5) in the year preceding the year for which a student is seeking a loan under part B of title IV; and

“(bb) at least 60 percent of the individuals who were students or graduates of the graduate medical

1 school outside the United States or  
2 Canada (both nationals of the United  
3 States and others) taking the exami-  
4 nations administered by the Edu-  
5 cational Commission for Foreign Med-  
6 ical Graduates received a passing  
7 score in the year preceding the year  
8 for which a student is seeking a loan  
9 under part B of title IV; or

10 “(II) the institution has a clinical  
11 training program that was approved  
12 by a State as of January 1, 1992; or

13 “(ii) in the case of a veterinary school  
14 located outside the United States that does  
15 not meet the requirements of section  
16 101(a)(4), the institution’s students com-  
17 plete their clinical training at an approved  
18 veterinary school located in the United  
19 States.”.

20 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This Act and the amend-  
21 ments made by this Act shall be effective as if enacted  
22 on October 1, 1998.

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